Hello Senators,

Below is the information requested about the Vermont Correctional Academy. A message with information about staffing will follow shortly.

ACADEMY and TRAINING INFORMATION

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NEW OFFICER TRAINING

New officers work a minimum of 1 week at their facility, and then they come to the Vermont Correctional Academy for 5 weeks of training. They return to their facilities and complete 2 weeks of FTO program before working on their own.

The total training program is based on an 8-week model. 1 week of shadow, 5 weeks academy (200 hours), 2 weeks FTO.

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STAFF VACANCY INFORMATION

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As of January 25, 2022: 173 vacancies total, which is 16.5% of total DOC positions (1,046, which excludes parole board). The vacancies by location are below:

149 – facility (this is 21.7% of the total facility positions)

12 – field (this is 4.8% of the total field positions)

12 – Central Office (this is 11.1% of the total central office positions)

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